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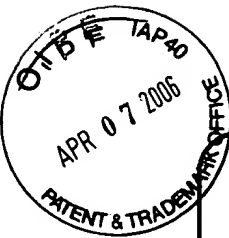
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant is enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (SB/08A) which lists the references cited in the attached European Patent Office Action of the corresponding application mailed March 3, 2006.


It is believed that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement should be considered to have been cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. The cited document JP 10-172237 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 6,538,692, issued 03/25/2003. Applicants have not enclosed a copy of the U.S. reference.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and to indicate that the documents have been considered.

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